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EXPERTS' VIEWS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, October 15.—Arguing on the assumption that battleships were useless against modern defensive weapons like airships, aeroplanes, mines, torpedoes, and submarines, Sir Percy Scott addressing the Australian natives' association at the Colonial Institute described the Singapore base as a wicked scheme and said the dominions should not contribute a penny towards it, but should rather spend their money on modern defence methods. He advocated keeping a large number of cruisers and destroyers for a world-wide guard of dominion trade.

GRAMOPHONE COMPANY.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

NEW YORK, October 15.

The Federal Court has appointed receivers for the Columbia Gramophone company, the assets of which are estimated at \$19,000,000 and liabilities \$21,000,000.

GLIDER'S DEATH.

INQUEST VERDICT.

LONDON, October 14.

At the inquest on Maneyrol at Lympne the verdict given was death by misadventure. An expert witness attributed the accident to the failure of the main spar wing.

EMPIRE DEFENCE.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE DISCUSSION.

LONDON, October 15.

The Imperial Conference discussed Imperial defence and adjourned to Wednesday to deal with naval defence. The proceedings will not be published.

RELIEF FOR JAPAN.

DEPOT SHIP IS SECURED.

GENEROSITY OF WAFONG.

The Japanese Earthquake Disaster Relief Fund Committee, met at the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, this morning, under the chairmanship of Mr. G. T. Edkins.

After the minutes of the meeting, held on October 9, had been confirmed, the Chairman announced that on the initiative of Mr. A. G. Stephen and through the usual display of public spirit by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, a depot ship had been obtained to replace the s.s. "Namsang," whose charter has expired and whose services are required on the Calcutta run.

The s.s. "Oriental" has been acquired to replace the "Namsang," and will be employed as a depot ship at Yokohama.

The vessel is being placed at the disposal of the Kobe Foreign Board of Trade, free of charge as regards her charter. The vessel, it was decided, should be renamed the "Tai Wayfong." The chairman informed the meeting that their presence had been requested so that they could decide that cargo should be shipped by the depot ship. Mr. Edkins read a letter from the Government and a copy of a telegram from H.B.M. Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo, asking for the despatch of money, warm clothing and material, which the meeting decided should be forwarded to Yokohama by the "Tai Wayfong." In addition, the committee resolved to ship a quantity of strong boots and shoes, blankets and a full equipment of winter comforts. Accommodation on the vessel will be provided for 50 people. A piano and gramophone will also be provided. In this connection the committee will be grateful for the gift of books to form the nucleus of a library. The ship will be under the command of Captain Weston, formerly commander of the s.s. "Orion" of the Oriental Line. The vessel will be stationed at Yokohama for six months.

Monday, October 29th

JASCHA HEIFETZ

Booking at MOUTRIES.

MUELLER'S PROHIBITION.

SAXON PROTESTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, October 15.—The Saxon Government unsuccessfully protested in Berlin against General Mueller's prohibition. General Mueller has incurred further Saxon displeasure by forbidding the congress of Saxon and Thuringian workmen's councils at Dresden on October 18. The Vorwaerts roundly condemns the one-sidedness of this state of emergency which it complains is chiefly applied to states where the government includes socialists, whereas Bavaria goes scot free. Herr Ebert has renounced the half of his special allowance in view of the "seriousness of the times." It is semi-officially reported that in dealing with the nonfulfilment of the expectation of the resumption of work of the railways following the cessation of passive resistance, the continuation of the Franco-Belgian railway regime is not justified and only aims at cutting off Germany politically from the Ruhr. The German charge d'affaires at Paris has been instructed to seek another interview with Mr. Poincaré.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

FAST EXPENDITURE AUTHORISED.

STEEL DUMPING.

LONDON, October 15.

Sir W. Joynson Hicks in a speech at Hounslow on the question of unemployment said that in addition to relief work already proceeding, the Cabinet had authorised a further expenditure of £14,000,000 a total approximately of £40,000,000. A large stock of iron and steel from the Ruhr was waiting to be dumped much below British manufacturing price and constituted a menace which it would be a stupendous folly for the Government to allow.

WELCOMED TO MINNEAPOLIS.

LLOYD GEORGE IN AMERICA.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 15.

Mr. Lloyd George arrived here and was welcomed by the Governor of Minnesota and other officials. A huge crowd gave him an ovation.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CINEMAS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir,—I notice there is some letter writing concerning cinemas and the prices charged. I am not concerned much with that but with the silly suggestion made that the Orchestra might be cut down and limited to a piano, in order I suppose that people who want a cheap thing can see it in a cheap way. I was at the Coronet the other day when the Orchestra was not up to strength, and the enjoyment of the performance was sadly interfered with by the thinness of the musical part of the afternoon. I certainly hope no attempt will be made to "cut" expenses in this direction. What we need are good pictures. If we are to have them, and recent ones have been very good, then we must be prepared to pay for them. Yours etc.,

ACID DROP.
Hongkong, October 16.

A QUILLER-COUCH.

FINDS MUCH FAVOUR
AS LECTURE.

(By Jane De Burgh.)

There is a building in Cambridge called the Arts School, full of lecture rooms. In its courtyard on some days there are a few bicycles; on other days many. When Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch lectures there are dozens and dozens. Popularity in Cambridge may be said to be measured in bicycles.

These events are comparatively rare, however. Professors in Cambridge do not lecture very often. The limits of decency are drawn at three times a week. Sir Arthur goes to the more dignified extreme and delights his university three times a term only.

All Cambridge goes. Anyone may attend who likes. Noon is the time. If you arrive at 11.30 you will join a crowd in the vestibule at one of the doors of the big lecture theatre; if at 11.40 you will take your place in the multitude well down the passage; if at 11.50 you will wait outside in the courtyard. At 12 the doors of the theatre open, and the crowd pours in—students in flocks of course; ladies with the marketing basket bulging with butter and groceries; clerical clerical smiling in anticipation of the treat of hearing "Q" again; strings of school girls, quivering, old ladies—in they all push as rapidly as they can. In two minutes every seat is filled; then every step and window sill, then the floor space in front of the desks. Two bold spirits take up their position actually behind the lecturer's desk. More and more stream in. Legs are curled up and bodies packed tighter to make more room on the floor; the walls are lined with people, old and young, who intend to stand through the whole lecture. At last the crowd is settled and bulging through every door; not another soul can find a place. In comes "Q" amid thundering applause. He smiles quietly, and arranges his notes. He perceives his two disciples, who sit on the floor behind him, and a sort of gentle amazement comes over his face. Silence falls, and he begins.

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at their Sales Room
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As she now lies in the Harbour of
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inches, Depth 6 feet 5 inches, Gross
tonnage 19.83 tons, Net (tonnage) 13.22
tons, last survey April 1913 valid for 6
months, licensed to carry 64 persons
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on
FRIDAY, October 19, 1923,
at 3 p.m.
at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
(for account of the concerned),
The Steam Launch "Peggy"
As she now lies in the Harbour of
Hongkong.

Length 10 feet
Breadth 10 feet
Depth 5 feet.
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Undersigned.
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LAMBERT BROS.,
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Hongkong, 13 October, 1923.

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Nippon Yusen Kaisha, from Kobe.
Ikenari, from Hamburg.
Kinson, from Kobe.
Shing On Cheong, from Kobe.
Yuen Sun, from Shanghai.
Yip Chun-poo Maleda, from Shanghai.
We Fat Cheung, from Shanghai.
Ki Lo-ku, from Hanoi.
Chan Tai-hi Wing Shing Street, from
Paris.

N. LOND,
Act. Superintendent.
Hongkong, 11th October, 1923.
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Cherly, from Bombay.
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Petrol Lorry Affame.

On Waverley Bridge, near
Princes-street, Edinburgh, a large
motor-lorry, loaded with petrol,
suddenly burst into flames, which
shot up some 20ft. The driver saved
himself by jumping clear, while
several motor-omnibuses standing
in the roadway were hurriedly
driven away from the flaming mass
of petrol. The street was crowded
at the time and many people had
to run to safety. The burning
stream which flowed on the bridge
did no serious damage. It is be-
lieved that the fire was started by
a passer-by accidentally throwing
a lighted match on to the lorry.

Best of the Waverley Novels.

Italy is celebrating the jubilee
of the death of one of her most
famous novelists, Alexander
Manzoni, whose *Betrothed Lovers*,
Scott, his acknowledged master,
declared to be "the best of the
Waverley novels." To read
Manzoni's masterpiece, once
asserted a celebrated diplomatist,
is a necessary preliminary to
understanding the Italian men-
tality, and certainly few writers
find more frequent quotation in
contemporary Italian journalism.
In celebration of the jubilee,
several Roman newspapers are
giving away copies of Manzoni's
works," says the *Post*.

Vinegar For Long Life.

Is there any connection between
vinegar-making and longevity? If
you want to live to a ripe old age
be a vinegar maker," said one
member of a vinegar manufactur-
ing firm. The abnormal longevity
of the employees of other firms which
produce vinegars, sauces, and con-
diments confirms the statement in
a remarkable manner. In some
instances the workmen engaged in
the distilling of vinegar have been
in the service of their respective
firms for between sixty and seven-
ty years. "The average age of the
heads of departments here is
seventy," said employer. "To
have three or four generations of a
family at work in the vinegar
distillery at the same time is quite
common." Recently, at a birthday
dinner party in connection with
the firm, the combined ages of
four of the guests totalled 335
years. The oldest was nearly
ninety and the youngest nearly
seventy.

Seeds as Beads.

Beads are one of the oldest
witnesses to the vanity of man-
kind. The oldest beads were
simply stones with holes through
them, which, owing to their bright
colour or peculiar shape, took the
fancy of the finder, who threaded
them on a strip of hide or fibre.
Later, when we became more
civilized, beads made of wood
carved into fantastic shapes were
in favour. Some beautiful ex-
amples of both kinds can be seen
in the British Museum. Uncivilized
races have a passion for stringing
together various objects as beads.
Human teeth, brightly-coloured
insects, seeds, and even whales'
teeth, are worn in this way. The
word beads comes from "bede," the
old English word for prayer. It
has an interesting origin. In olden
times, as a person repeated his
prayers they were counted by tick-
ing off one by one a string of small
pierced balls which were threaded
together, and in time these balls
came to be called beads.

How The Money Goes.

The women of the United States
are now spending \$16,000,000 a
year on cosmetics and face
powders, according to recent
statistics, while chewing-gum is
costing the States the comfortable
sum of eleven millions yearly. It's
enough to make one's jaw ache to
think of the chewing that must be
required for all those tons of gum!
In reckoning their expenses our
forefathers considered food, clothes
and lodging. They allowed only a
very modest proportion of their
income for holidays and amuse-
ments, let alone for face powders
or chewing gum. To-day at least
half our incomes go upon things
that have no relation whatever to
the necessities of life. For instance,
the yearly bill of confectionery is
reckoned at about twelve millions
of pounds, while the people of
the States spend upwards of two
hundred millions of dollars on
candy in a twelve-month. On
holidays the expenditure is
enormous. It is reckoned that
France receives yearly \$100,000,000
from foreigners making holiday
in that country, and that
Switzerland and Italy share sixty
millions between them. Holiday
makers in our own country, spend
at least fifty millions yearly, while
in America the sum expended is
probably twice as large. As real
estate is out of the question. It
is, however, estimated that a tax of
only five per cent on bets made on
horse-racing would bring in a
revenue of twenty millions yearly,
while some years ago the outlay on
golf in Great Britain was estimated
to be \$4,700,000 a year. To-day it
certainly exceeds seven millions,
while even that colossal sum lags
far behind the cash expended on
football.

Ants a Pester

For its size there is no creature
more terrible than the ant. The
small kinds we know in Brit-
ain are comparatively harmless,
but in South America there are
several species that would cover
a shilling with ease. Fiercest of
them are the Army Ants, which
organise themselves into bat-
talions. At certain times of the
year these insects move in dense
masses along the narrow forest
paths. No living creature, not
even the jaguar or the tapir, can
face them. If any animal failed to
move out of the way of the army
they would simply pass over it,
each ant taking a bite without stop-
ping, and in a few minutes nothing
would be left but bones. Amongst
these ants there are special classes.
The fighters have huge jaws, al-
most as big as their bodies. The
workers collect food and build the
nests, but they do nothing of the
tidying up, which is the work of a
special class of housemaid ants.
Others make massage their parti-
cular duty. When tired workers
come in the masseurs take charge
of them, rubbing down their weary
limbs.

Patterson Bargains with the

Captain.

The s.s. "Adriatic," which left
New York, was delayed half-an-
hour in sailing owing to a dispute
which arose as a result of a shortage
of 21 men in the engine-room staff.
Sixty-four oilers, fuel tenders and
others, declaring that this shortage
would entail hardships, threatened
to leave the vessel just before sail-
ing unless a bonus of \$5 each was
paid. A satisfactory agreement was
reached. When Captain Beadall,
of the "Adriatic," sent an emissary
to the 64 firemen assembled on the
pier stating that a bonus would be
granted the firemen's leader Pat-
terson, answered, "Put it in writing."
The emissary departed, and re-
turned later, saying, "Let the
captain write to see you." "Let
him come down here," retorted the
fireman. The captain came down
and repeated the offer, but Pat-
terson insisted, "Put it in
writing." Captain Beadall said,
"Patterson, you know I'm a man of
my word. If I say you'll get \$5
you'll get it." "You've never
before," replied Patterson. "You
know I've never fooled you. It
hurts me to hear you say that," the
captain said, said, "You've never
fooled us, but others have. Put it
in writing," chorused the firemen.
Silently the captain drew up a
document. Patterson examined
the paper and said, "Let us go,
boys," and the firemen marched up
the gangplank.

Waters Where Life May Not

Exist.

Eight famous scientists left
London in September on a ten-
months' research expedition of
the West Indies and the little-
known islands on the Pacific. Off
Peru, there is supposed to be a
"bare" patch of water, hundreds
of miles in extent, where no living
organism exists. The expedition
will investigate this story, and if
such a spot is found, the marine
biologist will determine the reason
of the phenomenon. At one of the
Marquesas there was discovered
recently an immense stone,
moss-covered, image. Its origin
is a mystery at present, but the
scientists hope to shed light on
its history. Mr. F. W. Kealey, the
secretary of the Scientific Expedi-
tionary Research Association, in-
formed the *Westminster Gazette*
recently that nearly 21,000 miles
will be covered in the "St. George"
an auxiliary schooner yacht pur-
chased for the expedition. A
seaplane, with a qualified pilot, will
also be carried. Many well-known
men are connected with the Society.
They include Commander D. Blair,
who will have charge of the ex-
pedition; Major A. J. A. Douglas,
F.R.G.S., Professor G. C. Bourne,
D.Sc., F.R.S., and Mr. E. C. Stuart
Baker, F.Z.S.

Ten Thousand Students.

"One of the less visible conse-
quences of the Ruhr invasion will
be the probable cessation of all
university effort by about ten thou-
sand students in the German uni-
versities," says the *Nation*. "For
some time now the admirable
efforts of the *Wirtschaftshilfe der*
Deutschen Studentenschaft have
found industrial occupation for
numbers of undergraduates; and
their work has enabled them to pay
their way through college. "It has
had, moreover, the invaluable re-
sult of bringing them into contact
with the working-class, and so to
break down the barriers between
the universities and the mind
of Labour. This effort has been
eagerly supported by the Govern-
ment and the trade unions, who
saw in it, and rightly, the most
useful method to hand of combat-
ing the propaganda of Junkerdom."
But the decline in the mark on
the one hand, and the slow slacken-
ing of German production on the
other, are making it impossible to
find work for many. Men who are
in the midst of a highly specialised
training will therefore be cut off
from their pursuit exactly at the
point where they seem in sight of
the promised land; and they are,
for the most part, the men who
would have done most to rebuild
the fabric of German civilisation."

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has been invented by an American
photographer. This new apparatus
is claimed to be the thinnest camera
in the world. It has the appearance
of an ordinary pocket-book, and is
carried as easily. All the advan-
tages of the folding pocket instru-
ment are embodied in its construc-
tion and the disadvantages are left
out. It weighs only 12 ounces, and
is half an inch thick. A marvel of
compactness, it is fitted with a large
aperture lens and produces pictures
as large as 3 1/2 in. by 4 1/4 in.

Caught "Nap"-Pine.

Some of the boys were taking but
little interest in the lesson, and the
teacher grew desperate.
"William Smith," he demanded
suddenly, "are you listening?"
"Yes, sir!"
"Then, perhaps, you can tell me
where Nelson was killed?"
"Trafalgar Square!" was the
reply.
"Indeed!" ejaculated the teacher.
"Then I suppose Wellington was
killed at Waterloo Station?"
"No," Sir," responded William,
"that was Napoleon!"
Guilty Conscience.

Mr. Dudley G. Dwyer, United
States Vice-Consul at Port William,
put an advertisement in a local
newspaper warning persons who re-
moved a step-ladder from outside
his residence that their names were
known and unless the ladder were
returned drastic measures for its
recovery would be taken. As a
result three step-ladders were
secretly left outside Mr. Dwyer's
house. Not one of these, however,
was the one stolen or was Mr.
Dwyer's property," says the *Times*
Toronto correspondent.

Distribution Just Half.

"The Joint Congressional Com-
mission of Agricultural Inquiry,
consisting of a number of Senators
from States in which agriculture is
predominant, has been at work for
a year, and has employed a staff of
nearly three thousand experts in
industry, banking, transportation
and agriculture," writes Mr. A.
Emil Davies in the *Daily News* on
the work of this American body.
"The Commission has brought out
one startling fact, however, that in
the United States every dollar
spent by the consumer is distrib-
uted in the following proportions:
Primary producer 20 cents
Manufacturer 17 cents
Wholesaler and retailer, whole-
sale and manufacturer 14 cents
Cost of selling, distribu-
tion and advertising 49 cents
"It will be seen, therefore, that
practically half the cost of the
article or foodstuff, after allowing
for the profits of the producer,
manufacturer (where the goods
have to be worked up), wholesaler
and retailer, is spent on getting it
to the consumer."

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English language that is consulted
more frequently than Mrs. Beeton's
Cookery Book. But with all her
wise saws and invaluable hints on
cooking, cleaning, treatment of
sickness, household economy, and so
on, it is doubtful if a quarter of
Mrs. Beeton's readers ever give a
thought to the woman who origi-
nated and compiled the work. Who
was Mrs. Beeton? She was the
wife of a publisher, Samuel Orchard
Beeton, who lived in Fleet Street
in the early part of the nineteenth
century. He published the first
English edition of "Uncle Tom's
Cabin" and the first Beeton Cook-
ery Book. Mrs. Beeton's first
domestic guide was published in
1861, and in the preface she re-
ferred to the long and hard work her
task had entailed, for the compila-
tion of the book occupied four
years. She was proud of the col-
oured illustrations, which at that
time were a novelty. Altogether
she wrote seven books on cooking
and home management between
1861 and 1890. After her death
her husband sold his business to
the firm of Ward, Lock and Co.

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DEATH.

FROST.—At the French Hospital at 4 o'clock this morning Margaret Bremner, the wife of Mr. B. L. Frost, R. E. Tel. Co., aged 53 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCT. 16, 1923.

THREE MATTERS.

We may be wrong, but if our own tastes are any criterion, we imagine that that part of a newspaper which contains letters written to the Editor, to be the most popular part of any news sheet. No matter what the subject may be which has prompted a reader to set his thoughts on paper via the medium of the pen, no matter how well or indifferently they may be expressed, the writer may rest assured that he has given some to think, some to amuse, some to turn to anger, and curiosity as to the identity of the anonymous scribbler where a non-de-plume has been adopted, and added not a little to the interest of life. In yesterday's issue of the *China Mail*, there appeared three distinctive types of letters on such varying topics as boxing, the conduct of soldiers, and an alleged unredeemed promise made by France. To say that these letters are most interesting, that each writer makes his claim in simple and direct language is probably understating the case. We may lose no time in agreeing that the first writer substantiates his claim, proves and is entitled to respect therefor. What interests us is the question of what is hideously called "the Colour Ban" which finds reference in the letter, and

the want of thought that lies behind the numerous actions which though not always ill-meant, result in the misunderstanding that take years to live down. The fastidious will note the phrases in this letter and realise that its exponents of "the gentle art" our Chinese friends are second to none in their epistolary efforts. Of the alleged promise of France to return Kwang-chow-wan as referred to by our third correspondent we are unable to speak with any degree of certainty but if what he says is true we may well agree that "it is strange that a country which is making an old enemy carry out its promise to her, should forget her own to a friendly nation." We may well echo our correspondent's question: "Now precisely what is France's attitude vis-a-vis this matter?" Assuming his contention to be correct, too much emphasis cannot be laid upon this aspect of a Nation's word of honour. It only proves that to collect examples of "ways that are dark" it is not necessary to travel six miles outside Europe. The letters under review reaffirm the dictum that a drop of ink makes millions think.

A Postal Matter.

Very few we imagine are ever pleased when the postman delivers a letter or postal packet insufficiently stamped on which a surcharge has been made and payment demanded. It is against human nature to be anything but pleased. If the offending missive is from a friend the imp of unkindness within us at once suggests that the omission has been deliberately or carelessly made. If from a business house, contempt for the intelligence of that house or the mail clerk or office boy proceeds as a matter of course. A postal packet from America just to hand shows they manage things differently there. The envelope bears a rubber impression with the words: "Returned for additional postage." The lynx-eye of a competent official has detected the insufficiency of the postage stamps on the envelope, but instead of noting that fact on the envelope, making the necessary record, and sending the packet on to its destination, there to be the centre of more attention, the rubber chop is put into operation and the offending missive returned to the source and fount of its offending. The saving of time and trouble is obvious, to say nothing of obviating ruffled feelings, whilst an object lesson is given the person most concerned which cannot fail to inculcate the lesson of carefulness in the future. We commend the matter to those who provide over the destinies of our local pill boxes.

Too Much Wetnursing.

The cowardly attack on Mr. Lo Cheuk-yan by an armed man and the three armed robberies on Saturday, provide further evidence—not that any was needed—that there are still a number of revolvers in the Colony for which no permits have been granted. Since the coming into force of the new law, whereby a severer penalty is provided in the event of conviction in cases of unlawful possession of arms, the authorities have given possessors of arms without a permit every facility to "declare them" at the police headquarters. It is quite evident that the policy of well-nursing possessors of arms without a licence will not prevail even with those erring against the law through ignorance or carelessness. How then can it be expected to prove efficient with the past or prospective evildoer? Draconic measures are needed if the arms in the Colony are to be accounted for. In the hope that our suggestions—even if not carried into full effect—may lead to sterner measures being taken, we hereby advocate a general search of the districts which in police parlance are designated as "suspected." To carry out our plan, the aid of the military will be necessary as there are not sufficient men in the Police Force for the purpose. At an agreed time—preferably between 3 a.m. and daylight—a military cordon will be posted round the "suspected" area, after which police officers will carry out a house-to-house search for arms. In expectation that possibly the law does not provide for such action, steps should be taken for the enactment of the necessary legislation.

Today's Poem.

(Pearl Poet.)
He loved the brook's soft sound,
The swallow swimming by,
The daisy-covered ground,
The cloud-bedrugged sky.
To him the daisy appeared
The very voice of God:
And when the evening rock was
sounded
Stood Moses with his rod.
And everything his eyes surveyed.
The insects in the brake,

Were creatures God Almighty made
He loved them for His sake—
A silent man in life's affairs,
A thinker from a boy,
A peasant in his daily cares,
A poet in his joy.

—JOHN CLARE.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

OCTOBER 16.

1793. As the summer improves every day, this autumn, I have just been at Cliveden, least it should grow so hot that I should be tanned if I stayed till November.—Napole.

THE ONLY WAY.

The only way to make up on the shortness of life is by adding to its quality.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

October 16.—Coronet Theatre: "The Prisoner of Zenda."
October 16.—Star Theatre: Frank Keenan in "Hearts Aflame."
October 16.—World Theatre: Hoot Gibson in "Dead Game," also view of Tokyo after fire.
October 29.—Theatre Royal: Grand Violin Recital by Jascha Heifetz.

SOCIAL.
October 19.—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps' third and final promenade concert of the season.
November 2.—Navy League Ball at City Hall, 9.30 p.m.

SPORTS.
November 10-12.—Hongkong Jockey Club's next Gymkhana.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
October 17.—Lamert Bros. at "Kingsclere," Kennedy Road, 2.30 p.m.

October 19.—Lamert Bros. at their Sale Rooms, Duddell Street, the steam launch "Peggy," 3 p.m.

October 19.—Lamert Bros. at Messrs. Lapique & Co's offices, Queen's Building, 11 a.m.

October 20.—Lamert Bros. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, S.L. "Tonkinola," at noon.

MEETINGS.
October 19.—Meeting of Creditors of the Hongkong Hide and Leather Co. Ltd. (in liquidation) at the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, 5 Queen's Road Central, noon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Cable communication with Macao is interrupted.

A Shimomoseki despatch says that the loss sustained by the Standard Oil Company of New York in the recent seismic disaster is appallingly heavy. To give only one example, the eight oil tanks of the company at Kanagawa containing in all 50 million gallons of oil exploded in toto, thereby involving a loss of about 20 million yen, not taking into account the buildings and other property of the company. As the Kanagawa Branch of the company was conducting business extending over the whole Orient, including China and India, the present loss, if not remedied at once, will affect very severely the oil industry throughout the Orient; and for this consideration, the head office in New York will take immediate steps for the prevention of such evil effects.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Major and Mrs. G. W. Olivecrona, of the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, returned yesterday from Peking by the s.s. "President Jefferson."

Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., who had the misfortune to break his collar bone on the polo ground when thrown from his pony last week, is progressing as satisfactorily as can be expected.

Commander M. R. T. Maxwell-Scott, D.S.O., has been appointed to the command of the river gunboat "Taramula," China Station. On taking over command of the "Taramula," Commander Maxwell-Scott becomes senior naval officer on the West River.

Mr. Alfred Gascoyne Wise, L.L.B., of Valroy, Camberley, Surrey, for some years Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court, Hongkong, who died on June 25, aged 69, left estate of the gross value of £26,145, with net personalty £23,650. The testator left £5 to each domestic servant (including his gardener, Charles Balgout) of two years' service, and a further £5 for each completed year of service in excess of two. He directed his trustees to continue the payment of an annuity of £120 to his former Chinese amah for her life.

\$1,000 FINE.

ARMS CASE.

Protection from bandits and marauders in his client's native district of Hok Shan, was the excuse given by Mr. H. C. Macnamara to Mr. J. R. Wood this morning when a Chinese named To Sing was charged with possession without a permit of 575 rounds of 38 short ammunition on board the s.s. "President Jefferson" yesterday.

According to Mr. Macnamara, defendant had been a laundryman for eleven years in Canada and although it was no defence in law, he offered the plea that the defendant was ignorant of the Colony's laws.

Asked by His Worship if the ammunition had been specially concealed, Acting Inspector Spear of the Water Police said that they were found under a false bottom of a trunk.

A fine of \$1,000 was imposed and an order made for confiscation.

COLLUSION?

ROBBERY SURMISE.

A conclusion drawn from an armed robbery at Yau-mat last night is that the miscreants must have been in collusion with one or more of the folks of the grocery shop which was looted shortly after midnight. This was the Lun Hing store of which Au-Yeung Lun is the master. His statement is that whilst the inmates were asleep they were roused by four men who entered from the back door. After binding and gagging the shopmen, a key was taken from the master's pocket and the safe then opened. A sum of \$650 was removed and the robbers left by the door through which they gained admission. It was found that the door had not been tampered with, hence the surmise that it must have been purposely left open by somebody on the premises.

WANTON CRUELTY.

A FOWL CASE.

Wanton cruelty to several hundreds of fowls was revealed in a case brought by Sergeant C. Barnshaw before Mr. C. D. Melbourne this morning when three Chinese were charged.

There were on the truck yesterday, six crates all crowded so badly that it took several hours to move the birds out into better accommodation. The crowding had been so bad that the top layer of the crates sagged on to the lower layer with the result that the fowls in the three bottom crates could not raise their heads. In one of the baskets which was 2 feet 6 inches across, 49 birds had been placed and two were crushed to death.

The first defendant who was the driver of the truck and the second defendant, the owner of the three crates, were each fined \$10. The third who was only a coolie was cautioned.

AID BARNARDO HOMES.

ATTEND V. R. C. CARNIVAL NEXT FRIDAY.

In aid of the Fresh Air Fund of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, a fancy dress carnival will be held at the Victoria Recreation Club at 9 o'clock on Friday night.

Despite the short notice given, the Committee trust that as many as possible will appear in fancy dress, although it is optional. Tickets, price \$3.00 (for gentleman and lady), can be obtained on application to Messrs. Anderson, Moutrie, the Hongkong Hotels Co. and at the offices of the *Sunday Observer*.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Attention is drawn to an official notice published to-day regarding the payment of pre-war debts due from German to British nationals.

The Church of England Men's Society is holding a social in the Cathedral Hall to-night at 9. All interested are invited to attend.

The master of the N. D. L. steamer "Fiala," which arrived this morning from Singapore, has reported to the Harbour Office that whilst towing a lighter the tug "Taimoshan" rammed the steamer and did considerable damage.

That thorn in local motorists' sides, the junction of Garden and Queen's Roads, was the scene of a collision between a motor-car and a ricksha at about 7.30 last night. As was only to be expected the manpower vehicle got the worst of the accident but neither the human beast of burden nor his fare was injured.

JOTTINGS FROM MACAO.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Military Parade.

In the notice we gave of the military parade of the 5th October last, we unfortunately omitted the Company of Heavy Machine Guns, which, under the command of Lieutenant, Rogerio Ferreira also took part.

The forces in this parade were under the general command of Lieut.-Col. Lobato, the Infantry being commanded by Lieut. Martins.

Accident.

Dr. Alvaro dos Santos Palo, Judge of the Chinese Court, is under treatment for contusions and wounds sustained as the result of an automobile accident.

We learn, however, that he is on the road to recovery.

Pirates.

Shortly after midnight on the 5th, the Dutch Harbour Works Company's installation at Coloane was attacked by a band of pirates, it being supposed that their aim was to kidnap some of the employees and hold them to ransom.

The negro soldiers coming to the latter's assistance, a brief but very brisk battle resulted, and one of the pirates was wounded and captured. The soldiers also suffered one casualty.

Promotion.

Much pleasure is felt in Macao at the promotion of Mr. Januario A. d'Almeida to second official of the Postal Department.

Exhibition.

Much interest has been aroused by a circular signed by a group of teachers inviting entries for an exhibition of applied art to be held in December.

Macao can boast of a respectable number of handicraftsmen and accomplished artists, and there is no doubt that the exhibition will prove well worth visiting.

To us the Committee appears of unwieldy size for such an end, but we wish them every success in their praiseworthy efforts.

Founder's Day.

On Friday the student of the Pedro Nolasco Commercial School observed the anniversary of the death of the founder of the school, the late Pedro Nolasco da Silva. Shortly after daybreak a party of boys and girls, accompanied by Miss E. da Silva, Miss E. Jorge, and Mr. G. H. Rainer repaired to the graveyard and deposited wreaths and garlands on his tomb.

Other Lands, other Ways.

The average European would, we think, be surprised if on entering a cemetery he found a complete skeleton laid out on a tomb-stone to dry, with a pencilled chit kept from blowing away by a stone. Yet this, as we understand, by no means an uncommon sight in the Macao Cemetery. At the National Constitutional Assembly in 1911 the Constitution provided for the secularisation of public cemeteries (Art. 9) but on the recommendation of the then bishop, Dom Joao Paulino, nothing was done in this respect in Macao. Corpses therefore, of those buried in *forma pauperis* are still grubbed up after a certain period, and thrown into a pit.

In accordance with the established practice of the University, the Examination Papers of these students, together with their Machine Drawings, Laboratory Note-Books, etc., were forwarded to London University for independent adjudication by Professors S. M. Dixon, T. Mather, and D. A. Low.

The results have just been received by cable, and the Assessors make the following awards:—

T. A. Bacun, First Class Honours.

H. Tanimura, Second Class Honours.

Both these distinguished candidates belong to the Department of Electrical Engineering, under Prof. M. H. Rolley.

Since 1916, when the first "Final" examinations took place, ninety-four students have graduated in Engineering, and of these no less than thirty have passed with Honours.

CRICKET TO-MORROW.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE v. R.E.

At 2.15 p.m. to-morrow, Queen's College will meet the R.E. at cricket, on the latter's ground. The Queen's College team will be:—F. M. el Arcelli (capt.), A. H. Madar, S. A. Lamail, O. Bunjahn, H. R. Meacock, J. C. Fletcher, S. A. R. Bux, F. B. Gross, and M. Hassan.

STEEPLECHASERS' NEEDS.

VIEWS OF PROMINENT GOLF MAN.

FRIENDLY OPPOSITION.

With a view to sounding the opinion of the golfing fraternity regarding the suggestion of Mr. C. U. Boyd that a steeple-chase course be laid out at Happy Valley, Mr. J. B. Ross was approached for his views in the matter last Friday. "I should like the week-end to think the matter over and consult my golfing friends," Mr. Ross said to a *China Mail* representative. Seen again yesterday, Mr. Ross said that the scheme, as outlined in the *China Mail* last week, was not likely to be favourably received by members of the Golf Club. Mr. Ross, however, was most anxious to emphasise the fact that relations between the members of the Jockey Club and Golf Club were of the most amicable nature despite the fact that, on occasion, members of each Club infringed the rights of the other. Mr. Ross admitted that any feasible scheme put forward by the Jockey Club for a permanent steeplechase course would, undoubtedly, receive favourable consideration from the members of the Golf Club provided it did not entail any curtailment of their privileges.

It being evident from certain remarks made by Mr. Ross that he felt the Polo Club was at the back of the movement to lay out a steeple-chase course, our representative did his utmost to dissuade him on this point. With little success, however, judging from his subsequent remarks, which were to the effect that a steeple-chase course would be used by few except members of the Polo Club who, he considered, should be approached with a view to jumps being erected on the present polo ground which, in so many words, was described as a large space catering for the enjoyment of a very small section of the community.

The *China Mail* representative pointed out that Hankow, Peking, Shanghai and Tientsin all possessed facilities for schooling ponies over jumps and dwelt on the fun and instruction that could be gained from such an institution apart altogether from the steeplechasers' point of view. "Many elderly gentlemen," it was urged, "still enjoy a frolic over the jumps as is evidenced by the popularity of the paper-chases at the cities named."

Mr. Ross, however, maintained that the end in view was the revival of steeplechasing in Hongkong, which, he hinted, would be frowned upon by the taipans as entailing too many risks.

The result of the interview is, therefore, that while the Golf Club members can be depended on to consider any proposal put forward by the Jockey Club, the latter will have to produce very convincing arguments to attain any measure of success.

At a later date, the *China Mail* hopes to be in a position to deal more fully with the matter from the point of view of the horseman and the golf enthusiast and the terms on which the land at Happy Valley is held.

CHILDHOOD DREAMS.

Oh, don't you remember your childhood,
When romping the mossy green meadows,
Defying the shapes in the wildwood
Twixt you and the Sun and its Shadows

No matter if velvet and lace,
Or, home-spun and hatless—bare feet:
In Dreamland of childhood are places
Romance and the beautiful meet:

And e'en though you were but pre-kendling,
The dream it was ever the same;
A glorious vista no'er ending
Until you had gained a great name:

And down through the battle of school days,
In struggles so fearful to some;
While starting your craft through
Life's by-ways

For dreaming of days yet to come!

JOHN KYOTO.

1923.

HOCKEY TO-MORROW.

At 5 p.m. to-morrow on the U.S.R.C. ground at Sookunpo, there will be a hockey match between the Hongkong Hockey Club and a team from H.M.S. "Himalia." The Club will play in colours. Arrangements have been made for a car. The Club team will be:—L. R. Blakely; E. G. England, G. Murray, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. S. Hett, G. H. Piercy, E. L. Sim, F. C. Miller, W. Woodward, G. R. Mac and H. Owen Hughes.

R. H. Y. CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD
YESTERDAY.

COMMODORE D. K. BLAIR.

At the Club House, last evening, Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe (Commodore) presided at the 19th annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. Mr. Lowe was supported by Mr. D. K. Blair (Vice-Commodore), Mr. D. L. Ralph (Honorary Secretary), Mr. A. Ritchie (Honorary Treasurer) and other members of the committee.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts Mr. Lowe said the honorary secretary seemed to have spent quite a lot of time in the preparation of a report and accounts and the full reports of the various committees left little for him to say.

It was customary on these occasions for the Commodore to make a short survey of the past season's happenings and in looking back the predominant note was success. He did not claim it because it was his year of office, although he was glad it had so happened and felt privileged if he had assisted in the attainment of the Club's present happy position, but in all directions they saw more interest, keener competition, improvement in the standard of sailing and in rowing, more life in the Club house, and a new spirit of vitality all round which augured well for the future.

As always the Club's activities were cramped for lack of funds. The closest check had been kept on expenditure this year but subscriptions from all sources amounting to \$5,184.00 failed to cover general running expenses by nearly \$700, but in spite of this a small surplus was shown on the account. The obvious remedy was to rope in more members.

APPEAL TO MEMBERS.

There was a tendency for older members, when they had given up rowing or had tired of sitting in a small yacht with no wind or getting wet through too often, to withdraw not only from active interest in the Club but from membership altogether. More than 50 per cent. of the membership of the Club had changed during the last 3 years. Of course he knew it was inevitable out in the East, junior men in the bigger boats always being transferred, but it was all the more reason why the older members should support the Club.

No depreciation had been written off this year as, in the case of the building and fittings, with the continual rise in prices, they were already shown at a low enough figure. In the case of the boats and oars, (with the new boats and the old ones presented in the fleet), this figure would probably be considerably increased. More than enough provision to meet all claims under this head was provided by the entrance fees, \$1,700, which were as usual, added to reserve and not treated as revenue. The Reserve Account now amounted to \$11,000 and could therefore provide any extraordinary depreciation if necessary.

As regards boats he would like to make special reference to the support the Club had received by the gift of the new boats referred to in the Rowing Report. It meant a lot to the Club for they could not in all fairness to the sailing members lay out a large sum in the purchase of a new fleet, and the outlook for the rowing section was very discouraging. With the new boats would come new members, a revival, he trusted, of "Hong" Races, and a further renewal of vitality.

INTERPORT HONOURS.

In a couple of weeks now their men in conjunction with the V.R.C. would be off to Shanghai to struggle once again with their northern friends, for Interport honours. Mr. Donald Logan had been responsible for getting the crews together and he was sure they wished them success.

The Commodore called attention to the popularity amongst the more elderly though still growing members who had apparently got much pleasure under pleasant open air surroundings and derived much good from this form of Muller's exercise.

The duties appertaining to his year of office as Commodore were almost completed and he felt one of his last acts should be to thank all those who had done the work during the past season. He appreciated the work that they had all done, to which in no small measure must be attributed their present prosperity, and he was sure they were satisfied in seeing the Club so popular. He must, however, mention the honorary treasurer, Mr. Ritchie. Members did not see or hear much of him, and when they did it was usually an account to be settled and thus they were inclined to be prejudiced. But the accounts were most important and required many hours of careful work which Mr. Ritchie had ungrudgingly given and he knew they joined him in an expression of thanks.

Then they had the honorary secretary, Mr. Ralph. He was full of energy which he has used with good effect in the interests of the Club and he trusted he would continue to carry on the good work.

Mr. C. McI Messer seconded the proposal and it was carried unanimously.

COMMODORE BLAIR.

The Chairman then proposed that Mr. D. K. Blair be elected Commodore for the coming year. Mr. Blair had been with the club many years and had held practically every office except that of commodore. He had won races in all classes—of sailing yachts. He taught him (the speaker) all he knew about sailing after beguiling him into the mysteries and expenses. He was sure he would make a very successful Commodore.

The motion was seconded and carried with applause.

In reply Mr. Blair said he thanked them sincerely for the great honour they had conferred on him by electing him Commodore for the coming season and also the Chairman for the very kind references he had made.

His work in connection with the Club had been a labour of love. He could assure them it was only after heavy pressure and not without diffidence, humorously referred to by his friends as "havering," that he consented to his nomination going forward because he recognized, and no member perhaps more acutely so, the great responsibilities of a leader of such a distinguished institution as the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, combining as it did four different sections of sport and occupying the prominence the Club undoubtedly did in the Colony.

It had been his privilege and pleasure for a good number of years to be closely associated with the various past Commodores of the Club and to take a modest part in guiding its policy and preserving its identity as a sporting Club (especially during the Great War) when so many of the younger members were engaged in pulling their weight at times in a boat with very little freeboard.

WEATHERING THE STORM.

With a greatly depleted membership and the highly necessary calls of the Government on the time of those remaining for the defence of the Colony, the somewhat long distance of the Club House from the centre of the City, and a natural reluctance on the part of citizens to engage in any sport whatsoever during that long period of 5 years, the financial outlook was none too rosy and the Club was only held together through the success of a scheme evolved by their modest old friend, Mr. Carpenter.

Mr. Carpenter conceived the idea of admitting certain approved non-members of the Club to the swimming section against a fee of \$12 for the summer months—a privilege which was readily taken advantage of owing to the fact that launches were not permitted to sail at low tide. This, combined with the generosity of Mr. Smyth, enabled them to weather the storm.

The Commodore at the time would have been quite helpless without the sympathetic co-operation of the few members remaining in the Colony. The combined efforts of that handful of enthusiasts were reflected in the sound financial position of the Club to-day, and it was only by the continued enthusiastic co-operation of members that as their new Commodore he could hope to pull off a successful season. He knew he could rely on the assistance of all of them to maintain the dignity and prosperity of the Yacht Club, second to none in the Empire, outside the British Isles. He did not know of any other port having such a large fleet of racing yachts.

They had a Rowing Section now happily well equipped with boats, oars and oarsmen and he felt confident that their representatives at the forthcoming Interport contests to be held at Shanghai would do them credit.

FAIR WEATHER AHEAD.

The swimming section carried on without much supervision but they had a growing and enthusiastic band of bowlers, consisting principally of older members of the Club who had fair to hold their own with the older Bowling Clubs of the Colony.

He felt he had been put in on a good wicket or rather in fair weather, but he was sensible of the fact that he could only keep his end up or rather keep the boat steady with the cord of friends and supporters around him who had assisted their late Commodore, during the past season.

He would have loved to have seen Mr. Lowe continuing in office because he knew he would do everything possible to forward the interests of the Club, so dear to him, and he thanked them for placing their confidence in him. (Applause).

COMMITTEES.

The following officers were then elected:

Vice Commodore, Captain T. Arthur.
Yachting Committee, Commodore H. E. Grace, Capt. Davidson and Messrs. E. Cock, D. H. Blake, H. S. Rouse and W. Van-Andel.

Rowing Committee, Messrs. E. W. Carpenter, R. Moncrieff, D. C. Logan, O. S. G. Sheppard, W. R. Andrews and A. W. Robson.
Hon. Sec., Mr. D. L. Ralph and Hon. Treas., Mr. A. Ritchie.

Mr. A. R. Lowe then moved alterations in the sailing rules of the Club and these were explained by Mr. Rouse. Some discussion followed and the amended rules were adopted.

On matters arising out of the report, Mr. G. G. Franklin said he considered that it would be impossible to train young oarsmen until the Club possessed a tub pair built specially for training purposes. He did not think that they could be constructed locally because no one was likely to have the correct dimensions. Such a boat would have to be made in England. At the moment the Club had no boats in which beginners could go out in.

Mr. Blair: I will see that the Club has the boats.

A vote of thanks to the retiring Commodore, moved by Capt. T. Arthur, brought proceedings to a close.

LINCHENG AFFAIR.

PEKING REPLIES TO NOTE.

PEKING, October 15. The Chinese further reply to the Lincheng Note agrees with the principle of inclusion of supplementary indemnities, and reserving till later a discussion of the nature of those damages and the reasonableness of the amounts.

TUCHUN OF SHANTUNG.

Acting upon a report by the War Ministry, the Government have issued a Presidential Mandate, relieving Tien Chung-yu of his post of Tuchun of Shantung, who was the fourth official named in the Diplomatic Body's Note. The others have already been punished.

Since the receipt of the Note from the Diplomatic Body, the Government have issued instructions to the provincial authorities to redouble their efforts towards bandit suppression.

Regarding the policing and the protection of the principal railways, the Government, without committing themselves to any scheme or schemes to be submitted by the Diplomatic Body, fully appreciate the interest of the Diplomatic Body in the problem, and they express their readiness to collaborate.

CHINA'S PRESIDENT.

TSAO KUN HOLDS RECEPTION.

PEKING, October 15. Mr. Yoshizawa, Japanese Minister, did not present his credentials this morning, as his amended credentials had not arrived, but he accompanied the other Ministers, who called on President Tso Kun this morning.

His Excellency J. Batalla de Freitas (Deputy of the Diplomatic Body), on behalf of his colleagues, congratulated President Tso Kun and assured him of the unanimous desire of the Powers to collaborate with him for the prompt establishment of unity, peace, security and order in China.

President Tso Kun replied, thanking and assuring them that he would strive for the ends mentioned, and in developing friendly relations with the Powers.—Center.

MISSIONARY CAPTIVES.

REPORTED RELEASE OF LADIES CONFIRMED.

PEKING, October 15. The Honan Tuli, Chan Fu-lai, wired to the Waichiaopu last night stating that he has received an unconfirmed report that his troops have defeated the bandit chief Fan, the terrible, after a hard fought three days' battle, and rescued Misses Darroch and Sharp. The Waichiaopu had not yet received confirmation this morning.—Center.

[Note: A Reuter message received from Peking this morning, states that it appears both ladies have been rescued, and are on their way to Kaigefu.]

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of OCTOBER, 1923, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

That the name of the Company be changed to "THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED".

SHOULD THE ABOVE RESOLUTION be passed by the requisite majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting to be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, aforesaid on SATURDAY, the 17th day of NOVEMBER, 1923, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming such Resolution as a Special Resolution accordingly.

Dated this 16th day of October, 1923.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.

OBITUARY.

MRS. B. L. FROST.

The death occurred at the French Hospital at 4 o'clock this morning of Mrs. Margaret Brenner Frost, wife of Mr. B. L. Frost of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company.

Mrs. Frost had been ailing for the last fortnight and was removed to the hospital from her home on Sunday morning last.

Mrs. Frost came to Hongkong in 1906 as a nurse to the General Civil Hospital.

Ever since Mrs. Frost has been in the Colony she has devoted her time to charitable deeds, showing especial interest in the poorer classes. An appeal to her for any deserving charity always met with ready response.

At the present moment, a raffle sheet is in circulation, the proceeds of which are to help one of her protégés. By her death the poor of the Colony will lose a staunch friend ever ready to help with advice and material aid in times of stress. Her efforts in behalf of the London Hospital are also well known.

Mrs. Frost was also a devoted friend of animals and the S.P.C.A. is indebted deeply to her for services voluntarily rendered. Mrs. Frost is survived by her husband, one son, aged 12, who is at school at Wei-chai-wai and four step-children. Of the latter, the two daughters are in Hongkong, while one of the sons is in Canton and the other in Kentsing.

The Hongkong community will be extended to them in their great sorrow.

On the ground that the Young Men's Christian Association had established branches in Turkey without proper authority, the police have decided to close them and fine those responsible for a breach of regulations.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.

MARINE ENGINEERS GUILD OF CHINA.
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THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING will be held at the Guild Office, Sailors' Home, West Point, on THURSDAY, 18th October 1923, at 6 o'clock p.m.

Elections and General Business.
W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.

Hongkong, October 16, 1923.

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Debts falling within the scope of Article 296 of the Treaty of Versailles, and consequently due for settlement through the Enemy Debts Clearing Offices, are excluded.

British nationals are hereby notified that if they desire to take advantage of this agreement, they must file their claims not later than 31st October 1923 with the Peking in China, (c/o H.B.M. Consul-General, Shanghai, China) to whom they should apply at once, stating the name of the debtor and the amount of the debt, for the form of proof of claim.

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
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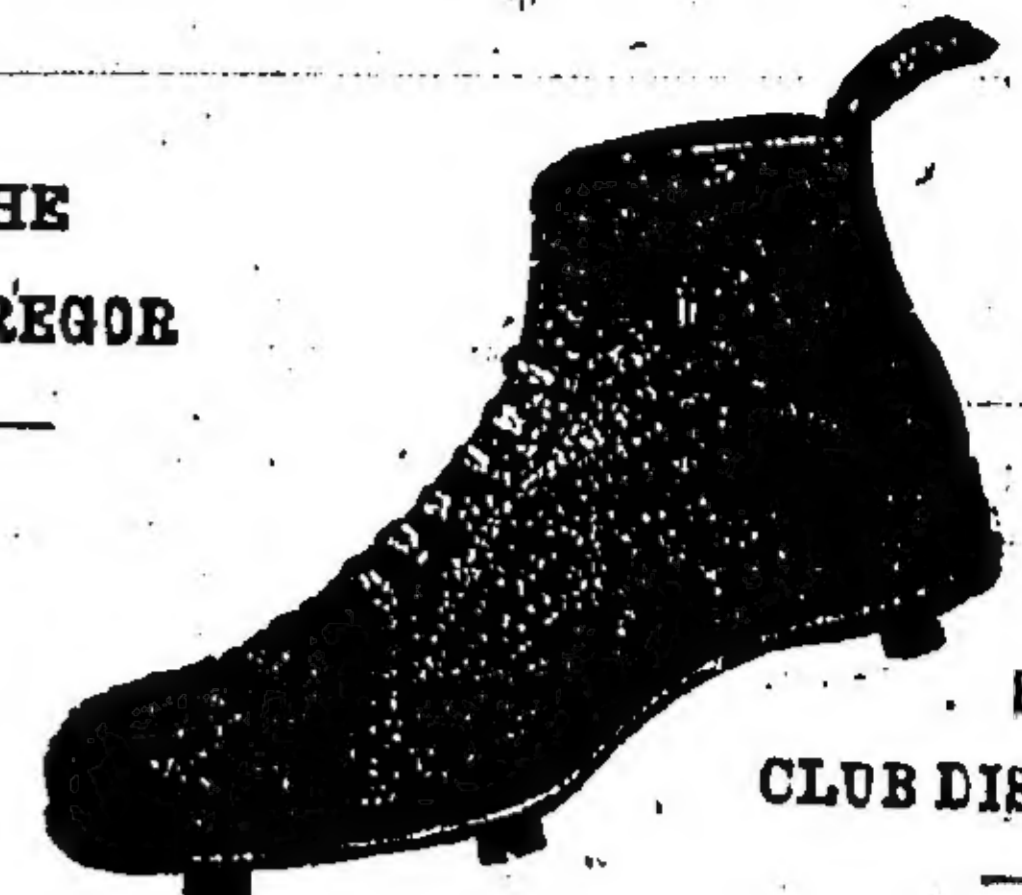
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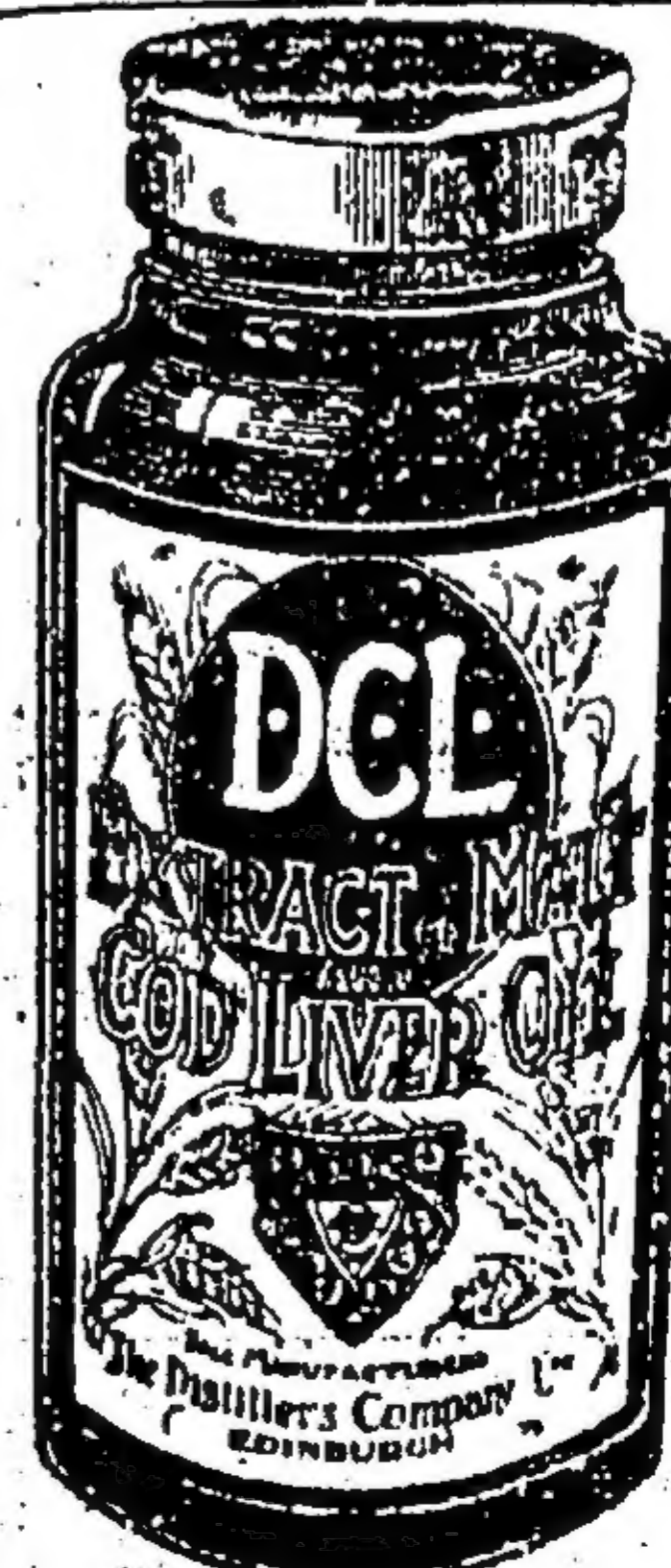
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LETTERS.

The following interesting letters appear in a recent issue of the *Times Literary Supplement*

THE STORY OF LORD JIM.

Sir,—I have been an admirer of Mr. Conrad ever since, on its first appearance, Mr. T. P. O'Connor made "Almayer's Folly" the "Book of the week." Your correspondent's account, in *The Times Literary Supplement* of August 30, of the history of Mr. Conrad's books attracted my immediate attention, especially what he says about the origin of the early books which deal, or seem to deal, with people and places in the Far East, and notably Malaya and the Dutch Indies; and with your permission I should like to say something in regard to two statements. Writing of "Lord Jim," he says, "The Patusan, where he worked out his salvation, was assumed to lie on the south coast of north-west Sumatra, and Stein's villa was outside some town of northern Java." The italics are mine. Summing up his article your correspondent writes, "It is this sense of contact with life that gives to his pages the feeling that of things happened so and not otherwise."

I am far from any means of reference to books or documents, and in what follows I am trusting to my memory, but the facts are easy to verify.

I assume that your readers know the story of "Lord Jim." It interested me greatly because I knew the facts and was in the East when they occurred. The tale—far from pretty—was very briefly this. An Arab in Singapore, named Seyyid Muhammad Alsagoff, a rich man, was the principal owner of a pilgrim steamer named, I believe, the "Jeddah." She carried pilgrims from Singapore and the Dutch Islands to Jeddah and back. She was old, heavily insured, and the master was a part owner. She left Singapore with about 900 pilgrims, and when in the Arabian Sea, in heavy weather, the master and all the officers except one, I think the second mate, abandoned her in the darkness of night and left the pilgrims to their fate. The one officer left behind—Lord Jim of Mr. Conrad's story—was so left because he was not quick enough to get into the boat or boats with the other deserters. They pulled away and reached Aden, where they reported that the steamer had gone down with all the pilgrims. A ship belonging to the Ocean Steam Navigation Company, commonly called the Blue Funnel Line, sighted the "Jeddah" wallowing in the trough of the sea, sent

some officers on board, got the crew and pilgrims to the pumps, cleared the water, lighted the fires and navigated the "Jeddah" into Aden, where an inquiry was held by the harbour authorities. Subsequently a longer inquiry was held in Singapore, and in the course of time I read these voluminous records. The master got away out of jurisdiction, but "Jim," the hero of the story, was taken to Singapore where he found work in a ship chandler's store, grew fat and prospered. That was how he really "worked out his salvation." When pilgrims from Malaya and the Archipelago used to start for the Hajaz it was recognized that the chances of falling by the way—at sea or crossing the desert from Jeddah to Mecca and back again—were so great that it was the custom for every pilgrim to provide himself with a winding sheet in which to be buried, should he meet with death. In reading the evidence given to the harbour authorities it was stated that when the pilgrims found they had been abandoned by the master of the s.s. "Jeddah" and all the officers except Jim, and when they realized their desperate situation, they all left the decks for a while and then reappeared clothed in their winding sheets. Out of the hundreds of pages of evidence that fact seized my imagination: a waterlogged ship, pitching and rolling in a heavy sea, the passengers deserted by all those responsible for their safety—except Jim—and then silently the decks covered by 900 figures, wrapped in white grave-clothes, waiting for their doom. I felt sure, too, that if Mr. Conrad had known of this incident he would not have omitted to mention it. The point, however, is the "salvation" of Jim.

Yours faithfully,
FRANK SWETTENHAM.

THE WHEELWRIGHT'S SHOP.

Sir,—In your issue of June 14, a correspondent refers to the survival in Italy of the old method of marking a plank for sawing. It may interest him and possibly others to know that the Chinese carpenter of to-day still uses the same method. (I cannot pretend to say for how many thousands of years he has done the same.) They, however, do not use chalk and bow, of red pigment the string is wound on a reel fixed in a box some eight inches in length, and drawn off it through cotton waste soaked in black ink. When the wood has been marked, the string is rewound on to the reel by a handle at the side. I give these details to show that in this the Chinese (as so often) were once ahead of their European brethren.

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ROAD-TRAFFIC PROBLEMS.

"A SIX-WHEELED OMNIBUS."

Sir Sam Fay, the president, was in the chair at the concluding session of the Institute of Transport conference at Sheffield when Mr. A. Dryland, county surveyor of Middlesex, spoke on some comparisons of British and American methods in road construction and maintenance.

In the discussion Sir Sam Fay said he thought a very great increase in road traffic might be looked for. That, he believed, would be a great advantage to the public. His own experience was that a good deal of traffic was taken by the railway companies which did not pay them a cent and which it would be to the benefit of the companies if they never saw.

Mr. Shrapnell-Smith, British Automobile Union, alluding to potholes in roads, described them as the disease of the highways. He had often wondered why road surveyors did not organise something in the nature of a flying squad like Scotland Yard possessed, equipped with a small outfit to deal with the potholes and repair them. Mr. E. S. Rayner, general manager to Hull City Tramways, in a paper on tramways from a traffic point of view under existing conditions, raised the whole question of road transport difficulties. It was, he said, a fallacy to think that danger and congestion only arose from fast-moving vehicles. The slow, halting man or lorry was the prime cause for the overtaking and passing of vehicles and the consequent congestion in our streets. "In my opinion," he added, "the time is coming, if it has not already arrived in some of our cities, when a definite speed will have to be maintained in certain streets and only vehicles capable of attaining that speed allowed to use them, at any rate at certain times of the day, and the overtaking and passing of vehicles prohibited."

Mr. Rayner pointed out that the speed of the London County Council tramways was 9.29 miles per hour, as compared with eight and a half miles per hour of metropolitan omnibuses. Mr. Shrapnell-Smith said he believed that in the future there would be six-wheeled omnibuses.

WHO WON?

I do hate people who always ask you, "Who won?" whenever you come back from a game of tennis. What does it matter who won? One play for the sport of the thing. Recently, when I returned from the courts, my brother accosted me with the inevitable question, "Hullo! Who won?" "George did," I answered. "He's playing awfully well," said my brother.

Then my mother came into the room. "Been playing tennis, dear?" she asked shrewdly, seeing my racket in my hand. "Who won?" "George," I replied. "Oh, well, never mind," she said. "I didn't mind. Why should I? The next person I bumped into was Uncle Bill."

Saw you slashing tennis balls as I motored past the courts, he announced. "Who were you playing against?" "George," I said, and began to go. But he was too quick for me. "George, eh? D'ye mean young Paulton?" I nodded. "And did you beat him?"

"No. He beat me." I escaped to my room, and found my young nephew washing his face.

"Sorry," he pined, "but someone's in the bathroom." "All serene," I said. "Been playing tennis?" he pined on.

"Yes. Hurry along, there. I want to change." "All right. Half a jiff. Who won?"

"George did," I said, and kicked him out.

I changed to plus fours, and over ten a visitor asked me if I'd been playing golf.

"No," I answered, triumphantly. "But surely you've not been indoors all this glorious afternoon?"

Why should I have been? I eyed him warily.

"No," I replied. "Of course not."

"Lawn tennis is his game," said my ridiculous sister. "You were playing this afternoon, dear, weren't you?"

"I nodded miserably. "And who won?" asked my sister and the visitor together.

"George did," I muttered. "Left the room. I changed back into my whites. I thought 'George' and asked him to play me again. He consented. An hour later, I returned home with a happy smile on my face."

And not a blessed person asked me a blessed question!

COOL GIRL AND INTRUDER.

WATER BOTTLE AND FINGER PRINTS.

An unusual story of a polite burglar holding a conversation with a young woman in her bedroom was told to the Pontypridd magistrates when Ernest Francis Pitman, colliery labourer, of Porth, was charged with burglary in the residence of Mr. Hopkin Morgan, a local magistrate.

Miss Phyllis Morgan said she was disturbed in the early hours of the morning by the creaking of her bedroom door. She noticed a man flashed a torch in her face and, commanding her not to make a noise as there were "three in the house all armed," he sat for a time on the bed, asking about money and jewellery, and made certain suggestions.

Saying he had given her a shock, Miss Morgan asked him to get her some water, and he handed her a water-bottle, which he afterwards placed on the floor, and warning her not to give the alarm, he left the house.

The police were informed, and, taking possession of the bottle, which bore finger prints, they sent it to Scotland Yard.

A reply was received that the finger prints were those of Pitman, who was then in custody at Caerphilly. He was identified there by Miss Morgan.

Pitman was committed for trial at the assizes on this and on another charge of breaking and entering Pontypridd Workhouse.

Miss Morgan was highly complimented by the Bench on her coolness and courage.

DOMESTIC LITERATURE.

A contemporary declares that it is up to our novelists to help in the solution of the servant problem by emphasising the romantic possibilities of domestic service. We accordingly hasten to give a few specimen preliminary notices of future novels.

In "Cora's Career" Mr. Gushington Geyser makes a new departure, no character in the book enjoying a higher social rank than second cousin to an O.B.E. But it can safely be said that in Cora, the cook-general, he has created the most fascinating of his long list of heroines. The chapter in which she recognises in the piano-tuner the long-lost son of the house, whose portrait she had lovingly dusted so often, will move even the most hardened reader, and her decision to continue her profession after their marriage is bound to be largely quoted in all future discussions of the vexed question of wives in business.

The day has long gone past when any heroine would swoon at sight of a burglar, but even to-day not many maidens could handle one so efficiently as does Mr. T. Quill Driver's Mary in the opening pages of "Honourable Service." This story of the reforming effect of a sweet woman's influence is certain to be popular, and few readers will be able to put it down before the last chapter, in which Mary receives as a wedding present from her grateful employers the carpet beater with which the reform was effected.

No lover of a stirring detective story can afford to miss "The Mystery of the Cupboard Under the Sink." The way in which Theresa, the twenty-maid, without in any way neglecting her other duties, solves the problem that has baffled the entire strength of Scotland Yard, Pinkerton's Agency and the junior reporter of the *Little Sapley Sentinel* makes up an enthralling narrative as we have read since the same author's "Blood-stained Booty" appeared in serial form a few years back.

LORD DUNEDIN.

WEDDING IN PRIMATE'S TINY CHAPEL.

The marriage of Lord Dunedin, Keeper of the Great Seal of Scotland, and Miss Jean Elmslie Findley, Director of Scottish Savings under the Treasury, will take place in the private chapel of the Archbishop of Canterbury, in Lambeth Palace.

The chapel, which is only occasionally used for the purpose, is not licensed for marriages, and a special licence, costing £25, has to be obtained from the Primate. It is very small, and only intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom will be able to gain entrance.

Lord Dunedin is one of the most distinguished judges in Scotland. He is 73, while his bride is 36. He met Miss Findley while she was working in the Scottish Savings Department.

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FARM BOY TO M. P.

SEVEN SHILLINGS KEPT SIX PEOPLE.

Although the wages of farm labourers are low enough to-day, they would have been regarded as very high by the hard workers of a generation or so back.

The father of Mr. George Edwards, O.B.E., who represented South Norfolk in Parliament up till the last election, was an agricultural labourer, earning no more than seven shillings a week.

On this meagre pittance he was supposed to feed, clothe and house six persons—himself, wife, and four children.

On his sixth birthday the boy George went to work. His job was to scare the crows from the growing corn. His wage was one shilling a week. His hours from daylight till dusk, Sunday included. If, worn out with the long hours, he fell asleep at his post, he received a sound thrashing from his employer, and had two-pence deducted from his wages.

At twenty-two he married. He was then unable to read or write, having had no schooling whatever. His wife, however, possessed both these accomplishments, and during her husband's scanty leisure she taught him to read with the help of a hymn-book.

Once he had mastered the art of reading, there came the desire for books. But he had no money to buy any. So he gave up smoking, his only solace, and by this means the course of time he accumulated the necessary funds. The story of his struggles is told by Mr. George Edwards in his autobiography, "From Crow-Scaring to Westminster."

The knowledge thus gained enabled him to realise fully for the first time the terrible conditions of the life led by his class, and he set to work to try to better them.

As a start he founded the present Agricultural Labourers' Union, the first officers of which were in a back bedroom of his cottage.

He was defeated in his first attempt to enter Parliament, but succeeded at the second attempt. In 1919 he was awarded the O.B.E., and in 1921 he was commanded to appear before the King, at whose request he told in detail the full story of his early struggles and privations, and the means he took to overcome them.

A DOG'S WARNING.

GAS EXPLOSION HAVOC.

Mr. George Pirrie, of 14, Greyplace, Greenock, was awakened about 4 o'clock by his dog jumping into his bed. He found that the animal was ill, and at the same time he smelt gas. He paid little attention to the gas fumes, but the dog's alarm had disturbed his sleep, and shortly afterwards, as the fumes seemed to have become stronger, he got up and turned off the gas at the meter and threw the windows open.

Mrs. Pirrie, his mother, who was also aroused, heard heavy breathing in the rooms occupied by her son Robert and her daughter Fanny. On entering she found them in a condition bordering on collapse as a result of the fumes.

They were carried out of the house in a dazed condition, and, after being attended by a doctor, quickly recovered.

Some time afterwards there was a loud explosion in the street, and parts of the pavement were thrown high into the air. Three shop windows were broken and part of the debris was picked up hundreds of yards away.

In was discovered that an escape from a gas main had found an outlet in the top floor occupied by the Pirries after passing up through plaster walls.

Scott's Desk in America.

"When in the late summer Mr. J. Horace Harding deprived Scotland of a Raeburn's memorable portrait of Sir Walter Scott he also bought and recently exhibited with it in New York a brass-bound mahogany table, desk from Abbotsford," says the *Glasgow Herald*. "The desk, sold at Sotheby's in August, 1922, for £32, has on the brass border of the lid two inscriptions. The first reads: 'Walter Scott of Abbotsford'; the second 'This box belonged to Walter Scott, Esq., and contained during their progress to press the "Lays of the Last Minstrel," "Marmion," and "The Lady of the Lake." And it was on this box also that these poems were written. John Ballantyne, Edinburgh, 1812." The vendor's name was not made public, but the desk is believed to have been given by Thomas Winstanley, auctioneer, Liverpool, from whom Scott bought some armour in 1814, to his granddaughter. This lady married the vendor."

A further anonymous donor has generously given £2,500 towards the urgent appeal for £30,000 now being made by the Cancer Hospital (S.W.) Fulham-road, London, S.W. 3, for the immediate need of an operating theatre.

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FOOT COMFORT IN HOT WEATHER.

By attention to a few small points it is possible to secure foot comfort even in very warm weather. It is an excellent plan to change the walking shoes twice a day, and to avoid wearing the same pair of stockings two days running. Incidentally this frequent changing lengthens the life of hosiery. The feet of the stockings should be dusted inside with boracic powder, which will check the unpleasant effects of perspiration.

A REFRESHING SOLUTION.

If the feet perspire very freely they should be bathed every night in warm water to each pint of which a teaspoonful of Condy's fluid has been added. This solution will prove most refreshing. When the feet show a tendency to blister, the inflamed parts should

be gently rubbed with a little vaseline or olive oil. Another good plan is to apply witch hazel to the skin that looks red. If a blister comes up during a country walk a piece of a cabbage or dock leaf placed on the part will sometimes give great relief. For a blister on the heel it is best to make a pad by folding a handkerchief and putting it inside the shoe.

WHEN SHOES ARE TIGHT. If shoes feel unpleasantly tight after walking loosen the straps or laces while resting. It is a mistake, however, to remove tight footwear altogether, as there will be some difficulty in putting the shoes on again.

Monday, October 29th.

JASCHA HEIFETZ

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POPULAR CINEMA ACTORS.
CHINA MAIL'S 7TH BIG FREE EVEN

This week the China Mail's voting contest once more takes a new form. Who are the ten most popular cinema actors in the list given below? Name them in their order and win our \$50. prize.

Therefore the secret of the contest is Not to select the ten most popular items in alphabetical order from our list. But to select the ten most popular names from our list and judge what place each individually will occupy—which will come first, which second, and so on until all ten have been placed.

The contest lasts from Monday to Saturday. The result will be announced in the "China Mail" on the succeeding Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

Every copy of the "China Mail" contains one form giving the reader one try for the prize. Regular readers thus have not less than six tries in one week. Competitors may send in as many forms as they like.

Forms should be sent in to reach the "China Mail" by Monday. Any forms received by the "China Mail" later than Monday will be discounted.

When making your choice use only the words given below. Any forms wrongly marked, mutilated, or indistinctly written will be ruled out.

The decision of the Editor upon any points which may arise shall be final. Members of the "China Mail" staff are debarred from entering the contest.

Below we name twenty cinema actors
Select the ten you think the most popular.

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| 5... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Jackie Coogan |
| 6... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Douglas Fairbanks |
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| 8... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Hoot Gibson |
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| 16... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Tom Mix |
| 17... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Charles Ray |
| 18... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Larry Semon |
| 19... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Milton Sills |
| 20... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Rudolf Valentino |

To the Editor
China Mail, Hongkong, Oct. 16, 1923.
Hongkong.

I consider the following the ten most popular cinema actors placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:—

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4...	Charlie Chaplin
5...	Jackie Coogan

States, cities or schools cannot exist without government of some sort, and the only question is as to what kind of government. Children do not usually think much about government. They know that they live in a republic but they seldom know much about it. Because they think so little about government, our schools are generally organised as absolute monarchies, where the Teacher makes all the laws. But in a school republic the pupils make the rules of conduct, and try any one of them who has broken one of them to be punished by his peers. Such school republics are organised in several countries of the world, and more and more people are growing interested in them.

Grown people often complain of children and say that they do not control themselves. But are the children always to blame?

Children have very little practice in learning how to govern themselves. Some parents punish too little, and some too much. The same is true of teachers. It is not just as important that our children should learn how to be citizens as it is that they should learn how to calculate percentages.

Why not organise the school as a school republic and allow the pupils to learn how to govern themselves? Many people thought that the man who first suggested the idea had lost his wits. The man did not mind their laughter, and would not stop talking about his idea. At last he got the managers of some schools to try the plan.

They allowed him to tell the children what he had in mind, and the pupils were eager to join with him when they heard the explanation. The constitution was drawn up, elections were held and government was organised. None of the dreadful things that the people had feared came to pass. The children took more interest in their school than ever before, had better lessons and behaved much better. The teachers had an easier time, and the children were happier.

(From The Book of Knowledge.)
After reading the article of which the foregoing is an extract, the students of the Pedro Nolasco Commercial School elected a body of student officials to whom they have confided the duty of representing them in all internal and inter-nolasco affairs, and

ONLY ONE GENERAL REHEARSAL.

There are also two rehearsals for the orchestra and the soloists. But the choir, orchestra, and soloists do not all three come together till the General Rehearsal on the Saturday preceding the Festival. This is open to the public, and used to be treated as a performance. But Sir Frederic Bowen now treats it as a genuine rehearsal, despite the presence of the public; and repeats any part of the programme which is not to his satisfaction. This doesn't happen very often, but two or three times in the course of the year.

This year's "The Messiah" is the only complete work to be given. The other days are devoted to selections. The reason for this is that "The Messiah" alone claims attention still as a whole. That remains the great magnet. Thousands attend a performance of it, who regard it as a religious function, and who never attend any other musical performance.

MAKING A HOLE 20FT. DEEP.

Detail of construction and of recent tests are now available concerning what is claimed to be the biggest type of bomb yet built for use by an aeroplane, writes an air correspondent.

It was developed by the Aircraft Ordnance Department of the United States Army, weighs about two tons, and is 13½ ft. long. Behind the nose is a tail fin and of nearly a ton of high explosive.

A big twin-engined bomber recently dropped one of these "demolition" bombs upon a wide open space of sandy soil, and its explosion threw up a column of earth 1,000 ft. The hole made was 6½ ft. in diameter and 20 ft. deep.

Although the aeroplane was at a height of 20 ft. the air "bump" resulting from the explosion passed it 20 ft. upward, but the pilot immediately regained control.

of government in minor disciplinary matters.
It is hoped that they will be no less able than their American cousins to make a success of the idea.—From *O. Liberal*.

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This photograph, taken in the diplomatic reception room of the State Department, marks a momentous event in the world's annals. Representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan and America met to deposit the various ratifications of the 5-5-3 Naval Peace Pact, which stops all naval increases for ten years and is called a marked step forward in world peace. Left to right are: H. G. Chilton, Charge d'Affaires for Great Britain; M. André de la Boulaye, Charge d'Affaires for France; Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes; Signor Augusto Rosso, Charge d'Affaires for Italy, and His Excellency, Mr. Masao Hanihara, Ambassador from Japan.



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LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.
ARRIVALS.
Pres. Jefferson, (Admiral Line)
from Shanghai—Kowloon Wharf,
City of Karachi, (Bank Line)
from Singapore—Holt's Wharf.
Haihong, (Douglas Co.) from
Swatow—Co's Wharf.
Phuempin, (Wo Fat Sing) from
Singapore—A12.
Lee Sang, (I.M. & Co.) from Hoi-
how—C35.
Van Cloon, (J.C.L.) from
Swatow—A10.
Banks, (J. Manners) from Bang-
kok—West Point.
Hermelin, (Thoresen & Co.) from
Bangkok—West Point.
Soudan, (P. & O.) from Shang-
hai—A1.
Linan, (B. & S.) from Hoihow—
West Point.

DEPARTURES.
Suiyang, (B. & S.) for Amoy—
October 16.
Hwah Kun, (Carl Bros) for Hai-
phong—October 16.
Fooksang, (J.M. & Co.) for Moji.
—October 16.
Kaiping, (Sing Kee) for Pakhoi.
—October 16.
Pres. Wilson, (Admiral Line) for
Shanghai—October 16.
Yei Maru, (M.S.K.) for Keelung.
—October 16.

Monday, October 29th
JASCHA HEIFETZ
Booking at MOUTRIES.

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ONE NIGHT ONLY
MONDAY, October 29th.
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The World renowned Violinist
Booking opens at Moutries on
Monday, October 15th.
Prices:—Stalls and Circle \$6.00
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WEATHER REPORT.

October 16d 11h 32m.—Pressure
has increased slightly to moderate-
ly at the majority of reporting
stations.
The anticyclone has strengthened
slightly.
Fresh monsoon may be expected
along the S.E. coast of China and
over the N. China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall in the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.07 inch.
Total since January 1st, 51.44 inches,
against an average of 79.17 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on October 17, 1923.
1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds,
strong.
2.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lamma, N.E. winds,
fresh, fair.
3.—H. Kong to Gap Rock, N.E.
winds, fresh, fair.
4.—South coast of China between
H. Kong and Haiman, N.E. winds,
fresh, fair.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

OCTOBER 16, 1923.—a.m.

Station.	Bar.	Therm.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.
Victoria	30.1	78	85	SE	1
Central	30.1	78	85	SE	1
Wanchai	30.1	78	85	SE	1
Widow's	30.1	78	85	SE	1
Victoria	30.1	78	85	SE	1
Central	30.1	78	85	SE	1
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Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 16, 1923.
1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees
Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea: 30.1
inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in
degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation
on the humidity of air saturated at
moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points
S. of P. or W. or W. according to
Beaufort Scale.
5. STATE OF WEATHER, in blue sky,
detached cloud, or drizzling rain, for
a given hour, 1 lightning, or overcast
or passing showers, or squall, or rain, or snow
or thin fog or visibility, or dew, wet.
7. RAIN, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day	On date	On date
Barometer	30.01	30.0	30.12
Thermometer	71	73	78
Humidity	91	81	73
Direction of Wind	ENE	E	E
Force of Wind	1	4	4
Weather	od	o	o
State of sky	o	o	o

Lowest and highest temperatures for the 24 hours
lowest open air temperature on the 15th 71
T. F. O'NEILL, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 16, 1923.

THE BLUE FUNNEL LINE THE PRISONER

REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICES.

LONDON SERVICE
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"ADRIANUS" 13th Nov. London, Rotterdam and Antwerp

LIVERPOOL SERVICE
(Direct or via Continental Ports)
"MERION" 25th Oct. Genoa, M'les, Liverpool & Glasgow
"SURYATUL" 1st Nov. M'les, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"CANPA" 20th Nov. Genoa, M'les, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE
(via Kobe and Yokohama)
"TYNDAROS" 27th Oct. Victoria, Seattle and
"PROTEUS" 20th Nov. Vancouver.

NEW YORK SERVICE
(via Suez or Panama)
"ALCIBIOUS" 25th Oct. via Suez and Boston.
"TEUCER" 15th Nov. via Suez and Boston.

PASSENGER SERVICE
"THERESIA" 6th Nov. for Singapore & London
"SARPEDON" 12th Nov. for Shanghai
"SARPEDON" 11th Dec. for Singapore, Marseilles & London
"PATROCLOS" 8th Jan. for Singapore, Marseilles & London
"MENTOR" 12th Feb. for Singapore & London
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18.
EUROPE via Suez (letters and papers, London 20th
Sept., and parcels 18th Sept.). Calcutta
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai Express of Asia

OUTWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16.

For Times
Sailon
Sambal and Wuchow
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou
Haiphong

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17.

Manila, AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via
Thursday Island—due Thursday 8.45 a.m.
about 28th Oct. Registration 8.45 a.m.
Letters 9.30 a.m.
Hoihow
Manila
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques,
South Africa, India via Dhanushkottai,
Bombay, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE
via Marseilles—due Marseilles 17th
Nov. Parcel 18th 5 p.m. Registration,
18th 1.41 p.m. Letters 19th 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19.

Shanghai, Japan and VICTORIA R.C.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou
Manila

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
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